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SUBJECT: NORWEGIAN PARTICIPATION IN RENEWED MULTI-FIBER ARRANGEMENTS

1. NORWEGIAN PARTICIPATION IN RENEWED MULTI-FIBER ARRANGEMENT, WE HAVE LEARNED FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCES, DEPENDS ON SUCCESS OF GON IN NEGOTIATING TEXTILE QUOTAS WITH LOW-PRICE EXPORTERS. OUTCOME IS IN DOUBT BECAUSE, AFTER AGREEMENT REACHED RECENTLY WITH SOUTH KOREA, HONG KONG TALKS WERE BROKEN OFF ON DECEMBER 12 ON THE GROUNDS THAT PROPOSALS BY THE TWO GROUPS WERE IRRECONCILABLY FAR APART ON MOST ITEMS. FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS SAY, HOWEVER, THAT NORWAY WILL PROBABLY SIGN MFA DESPITE HONG KONG DIFFICULTY IF GON TEAM SATISFIED WITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH OTHER LOW-PRICE EXPORTERS -- THAILAND, SINGAPORE, SRI LANKA, INDIA, MALAYSIA, PHILIPPINES. NEGOTIATIONS WITH THESE COUNTRIES ARE EXPECTED TO BE

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COMPLETED EARLY IN 1978.

2. IN THE ABSENCE OF AGREEMENT WITH HONG KONG, COMMENCING JANUARY 1, NORWAY IS CONSIDERING RESORTING TO LICENSE CONTROLS ON HONG KONG GOODS AND MAY INVOKE GATT ARTICLE. 19. COMMERCE MINISTER HALLVARD BAKKE HAS STATED PUBLICLY THAT NORWAY INTENDS UNILATERALLY TO REDUCE IMPORTS OF HONG KONG TEXTILE PRODUCTS

BY AT LEAST FORTY PERCENT FROM ITS 1976 QUOTA. BAKKE, REFLECTING
PROFOUND IGNORANCE OF THE BASIS FOR MFA, GAVE TWO REASONS
FOR CUTTING BACK HONG KONG QUOTAS: (A) TO ASSIST DOMESTIC
INDUSTRY; (B) TO ALLOW NEW EXPORTERS SUCH AS SRI LANKA TO
ENTER NORWEGIAN MARKET.
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